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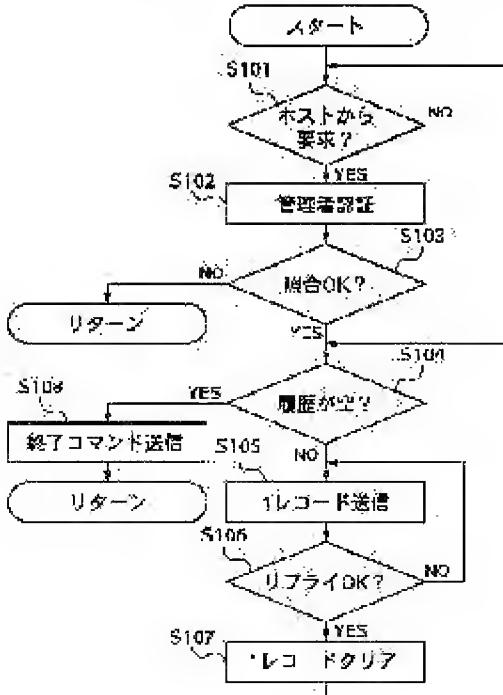
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## (54) PERIPHERAL EQUIPMENT CONTROL SYSTEM



### (57)Abstract:

**PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED:** To provide a peripheral equipment control system with which the prescribed use condition of peripheral equipment can be stored for each user or for each operating mode without increasing the memory capacity of the peripheral equipment.

**SOLUTION:** In a compound machine 100, the user ID of a user, who uses this compound machine 100, the operating mode of this compound machine 100 and the number of ejected papers of this compound machine 100 are stored in a memory 216 as history information 804 and on the basis of the request of a history information acquisition job from a host computer 11 (step S101), the history information 804 is transmitted to the host computer 11 (step S105). In the host computer 11, the history information 804 acquired from the compound machine 100 is expanded and managed as a paper ejected counter

table 800 by operating modes. Thus, charging is enabled while storing the use condition of the compound machine 100 for each user or for each operating mode and precisely accumulating/managing that use condition without cost increase such as increasing the memory capacity of the compound machine 100.